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Group 6

Important Places

- Jefferson Park
- Red Apple
- Library
- Chinese Market
- Kimball Elementary
- Beacon Hill Elementary
- McPhearson's
- Mercer Middle School
- El Centro Dela Raza

Important Connections

- Beacon Avenue
- Improve East/West Connections
- Connections to trails
- Stairways
- 15th Avenue S for bikes
- Bikes across 12th Avenue Bridge
- Lanes and sharrows end at Massachusetts
- 19th as bike alternate
- Better bike access across i-5
- Stairways
- Portal as opportunity to cross i-5
- Power line corridor at 10th
- Stairs at Bayview to airport

Difficult

- Transition from Jose Rizal Bridge to trails
- Connection to Rainier from the hill
- Mass. Bike link
- Jefferson Park revisions include bikes
- Beacon Avenue difficult to ride with kids
- Safe bike access to Cleveland High School and other schools
- Sharrows on 15th and Blvd – traffic calming
- Places are too far apart – services, retail and civic
- Make Beacon more walkable
- Boulevarding Columbian Way/15th/Beacon
- Improve intersection Holgate and 15th
- 15th especially bad for pedestrian crossing – fast and high volumes
- Bad pedestrian access around gas stations

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- Bayview crossing at Lander
- Median – Biding and pedestrians in median?
- Beacon better than 15th for bikes – slower
- Festival street
- Walkable Town Center
- Sound Transit Block – possible short term urban agriculture opportunity
- City/Neighborhood acquire for civic uses
- 17th/Beacon/McClellan
- Temporary Use? Versus permanent (development)
- “Campus” – Bayview/Beacon/McClellan/17th
- All pedestrian oriented – calm-no fast traffic
- Festival Street – Lander Street – close in the future
- Close for events-summer markets
- El Centro development
- Divert Beacon traffic to 15th to McClellan
- Signals at Lander and McClellan
- Historic Resources
- Redesign 15th and Beacon intersection –crossing too far
 - Narrow streets – add sidewalks – median Blvd Beacon
- Pedestrian crossing at Bayview crossing at Holgate
- Remove signal – go to stop signs
- Only Bus and bikes on Beacon south of Bayview
- Traffic changes may increase traffic on McClellan
- Improves connection to Rainier valley
- 14th and Beacon change to one lane or one way? School busses?
- May push traffic onto 14th or 17th
- Bayview – low volumes
- - Transit connection to Chinese Market – hard to cross 15th
- Core services: Diverse businesses, Laundromat
- Better safety – places to go –offices
- Park rangers – assistance – walking or biking security officers
- Buildings on the street front – eyes on the street
- * Alcohol restriction zone – no high alcohol malt beverages
- Beacon Hill restrooms – Parks department issue – drug deals
 - Better policing and maintenance
- Fencing regulations – setbacks at chain link fencing
 - More DPD responses and enforcement
- El Centro development 1 Acre – retail at ground floor housing above and office
- Latin American town square/plaza/kiosk/bandstand seating – the SOCALO – target senior housing
- Artist lofts?
- Brooklyn as model – not too high but dense and diverse

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- Urban agriculture – don't block light, support Master Gardening
 - Protect views to El Centro – Landmark
 - Alleys activated with retail - pedestrians
 - Keep alley behind Sound Transit and Red Apple (in front)
 - Break up big blocks
 - Who will open all the small businesses
 - Plans for PacMed Tower? Civic use opportunities?
 - Need major employers
 - Leverage light rail station bringing people
 - Need more residential to provide customers for (now vacant) retail spaces
 - Carriage houses, ADU, condo-ize single family homes
 - NC40 needs to change to 45' or 50' to get four stories
 - 40' to 65' too great a leap and step down to single family
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- Flexibility in Parking Requirements
 - Opportunities to improve intersections and avenues – traffic calming and crossings
 - Create core "heart" around El Centro and Transit Station – include Festival street
 - Temporary and / or permanent urban agriculture or green opportunities
 - Bike and pedestrian connection on and off the Hill
 - Diversity of housing types: reuse single family homes, detached dwelling units – carriage house and backyard cottage